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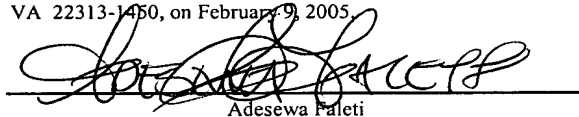
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Title:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR NAMING  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

**Amendments to Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.